

## Message Text

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P 291220Z JUN 77  
FM AMEMBASSY KUWAIT  
TO SECSTATE WASHDC PRIORITY 8368  
INFO USDOC WASHDC  
AMEMBASSY ABU DHABI  
AMEMBASSY CAIRO  
AMEMBASSY DAMASCUS  
AMEMBASSY DOHA  
AMEMBASSY JIDDA  
AMEMBASSY MANAMA

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E.O. 11652: N/A  
TAGS: ETRD, PFOR  
SUBJECT: ARAB BOYCOTT: GOK DOES IN FACT ACCEPT POSITIVE CERTIFICATION  
  
REF: KUWAIT 3533 AND PREVIOUS

1. AS FOLLOW-UP TO JUNE 28 CONVERSATION ON BOYCOTT (REFTEL),  
ACTING DIRECTOR OF FOREIGN MINISTRY ECONOMIC DIVISION JI'AN  
CALLED EMBASSY JUNE 29 TO SAY THAT HE HAD CHECKED WITH  
KUWAIT BOYCOTT OFFICE AND FOREIGN MINISTRY RECORDS AND  
DISCOVERED THAT KUWAIT DOES IN FACT ACCEPT POSITIVE  
CERTIFICATION. GOK, JI'AN SAID, ADHERED TO ARAB LEAGUE  
RESOLUTION 2716 OF SESSION 34 ISSUED ON SEPTEMBER 7, 1960  
WHICH STATES THAT FOR BOYCOTT PURPOSES, THE ONLY  
CERTIFICATES OF ORIGIN REQUIRED ARE THOSE STATING THE  
NATIONAL ORIGIN OF THE PRODUCT AND ITS COMPONENTS.  
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JI'AN SAID HE HAD CHECKED WITH BOYCOTT OFFICE  
HERE, AND THAT THIS OFFICE HAD APPLIED AND  
CONTINUES TO APPLY THIS REQUIREMENT AND THIS ONE ONLY.  
JI'AN STATED THAT THE LOCAL BANKS WERE AWARE OF THE  
BOYCOTT OFFICE REQUIREMENT, BUT HAD NOT CHANGED THE  
LANGUAGE OF THEIR LETTERS OF CREDIT, WHICH APPARENTLY  
PREDATED 1960.

2. IT APPEARS LOCAL BANKS ARE WOEFULLY BEHIND THE  
TIMES AND CAUTIOUS. WE WILL USE INFORMATION PROVIDED  
BY JI'AN AND BOYCOTT OFFICE IN OUR CONTINUING  
EFFORTS TO GET THE LOCAL BANKS TO DROP THE OFFENDING  
LANGUAGE IN THEIR L/C'S. UNFORTUNATELY, BOYCOTT OFFICE DIRECTOR,  
WHO ATTENDED ALEXANDRIA CONFERENCE, WILL NOT RETURN TO KUWAIT  
FOR AT LEAST TWO WEEKS. WE WILL CONTACT HIM ON HIS RETURN.  
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